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> FOIPA Request No.: 1427787-000 Subject: HYNES, CHARLES J.

Dear Mr. McElwee:

Reference is made to your Freedom of Information/Privacy Acts (FOIPA) request for FBI records concerning Charles Hynes. This letter will serve to document your email exchange with my representative concluding on June 24, 2019.

My representative explained that your request is currently in the large track of our multi-track backlog of unassigned FOIA requests. This track contains requests for records in excess of 950 pages and assignments from this queue to our FOIA Processing Units are typically delayed for a significant amount of time. My representative indicated that the FBI located approximately 4,561 pages potentially related to your subject and you were offered the opportunity to reduce the scope of your request to accelerate its assignment for processing. Based on that exchange, you agreed to reduce the request to the first 950 pages by date, with the understanding that you may request additional material once you receive a release.

Through negotiation, your request was reduced from a large track request of 4,561 pages to a medium track request of approximately 950 pages, which will reduce its processing time. We certainly appreciate your consideration in this matter and solicit your continued patience.

If you have any further questions, please do not hesitate to telephone 540-868-1695. You may also submit questions via the www.fbi.gov/foia website under "Contact Us." The FOIPA Request Number listed above has been assigned to your request. Please use this number in all correspondence concerning your request.

Sincerely,

David M. Hardy Section Chief Record/Information

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